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CHARACTER DISPLAY METHOD,
CONTROL PROGRAM FOR
CONTROLLING THE CHARACTER
DISPLAY METHOD AND RECORDING
MEDIUM RECORDING THE CONTROL
PROGRAM

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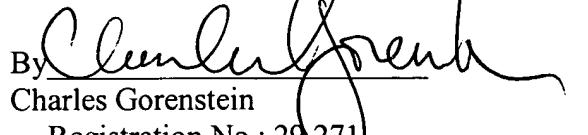
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